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Subject:

Draft Feasibility Study  
Allied Paper, Inc. Operable Unit, OU-1  
Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site

Dear Mr. Berkoff:

We received your letter of September 21, 2009 to Steve Weishar of Millennium Holdings LLC (MHLLC) providing guidance regarding remedial alternatives to be included in the Feasibility Study (FS) for the Allied Paper, Inc. Operable Unit in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

As recommended in that letter, the FS will be prepared to include a remedial alternative that consists of the full-encapsulation approach proposed by Kalamazoo community stakeholders during the September 10 meeting.

As a matter of record, we are not aware of any similar such requests by the public or representatives of the City of Kalamazoo for removing the sheet pile wall as an element of a remedial alternative. However, we understand that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) has a preference that this approach be considered in the report, and as currently contemplated it will be included as a component of at least two remedial alternatives in the FS.

We hope that the USEPA appreciates that the schedule for producing the Draft FS is very tight, and any further guidance of this scope and nature may prevent us from meeting the October 29 deadline to which MHLLC has agreed.

Please feel free to call Steve Weishar of MHLLC or myself if you would like to discuss this further.

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